

House Resolution No.

Whereas, Mary Poshak of Kirkwood, Missouri, has attained considerable distinction as an educator who has served as Artistic/Administrative Director of the Kirkwood Children's Chorale, a leadership calling that she will draw to a close after fifteen years of service; and

Whereas, cofounder of the Kirkwood Children's Chorale, Mary Poshak has guided the nonprofit children's choir program as it has grown to include more than 200 children in grades two through eight; and

Whereas, under the leadership of Mary Poshak, the Kirkwood Children's Chorale has performed three times for the Missouri Music Educators Conference, once for the American Choral Directors Convention, at invitational choral festivals in the states of Oregon, Louisiana, and Washington, and in the countries of Germany, England, Norway, Scotland, and Austria; and

Whereas, Mary Poshak prepared for her diverse endeavors in life by earning Bachelor's and Master's degrees in vocal performance and music education from the University of Michigan; and

Whereas, Mary Poshak is a frequent vocal soloist in the Saint Louis area, has served as Director of Children's Music at Kirkwood United Methodist Church for eighteen years, was an adjunct professor of music education at Saint Louis Community College for nine years, and taught music at Kirkwood Methodist Preschool for six years; and

Whereas, a former elementary and middle school vocal teacher in Michigan, Missouri, and the Virgin Islands, Mary Poshak has a private piano and voice studio, serves as a choral clinician and vocal adjudicator through the state of Missouri, and is a member of the Missouri Music Educators Association, the National Association for Music Education, the American Choral Directors Association, and Sigma Alpha Iota international music fraternity; and

Whereas, Mary Poshak is justifiably proud also to be known as the beloved wife of Tom and the loving mother of Julie and Mark:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the personal and professional accomplishments associated with the life and work of Mary Poshak and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as she shifts the focus of her time and energy to other worthwhile pursuits; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Mary Poshak of Kirkwood, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Rick Stream
District No. 94

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker